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Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

DETAILED ACTION

1. The reply filed on June 30, 2003 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): In the response of June 30, 2003, applicant states, in regard to the outstanding rejections, "The Examiner's objections and rejections are respectively traversed especially since the claims are directed to one of ordinary skill in the art and accordingly it is believed that they are in the proper format. Nevertheless, Applicants have accomplished the amendments to the Specification and claims as believed suggested by the Examiner on pages 3, 4, and 5 of the Official Action, accordingly it is believed that these claims are now in condition for allowance." (page 6 of the response). This statement by applicant appears to indicate that amendments were made according to the Examiner's suggestions on pages 3, 4 and 5 of the April 2, 2003 Office Action. However, no amendment was made to the independent claim, claim 13, and no arguments were made as to why no amendment was needed, even though pages 4 and 5 of the Office Action are specifically directed to 35 USC 112 defects in claim 13. As a result, the amendment is non-responsive, since as indicated in 37 CFR 1.111(b), a complete reply must specifically point out supposed errors in the examiner's action. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment.

EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

2. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Katherine A. Bareford whose telephone number is (703) 308-0048. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F(7:00-4:30) with the First Friday Off.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Shrive P. Beck can be reached on (703) 308-2333. The fax phone numbers for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned are (703) 872-9310 for regular communications and (703) 872-9311 for After Final communications.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 308-0661.


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